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BY INTRAMUSCULAR ADMINISTRATION OF
HEPATOCYTE GROWTH FACTOR (AS AMENDED)

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 3, 2003, the due date for Reply having been extended three (3) months to October 3, 2003 by petition herein, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

The amendments presented herein comply with the "Revised Amendment Format" as set forth in the Official Gazette Notice dated

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37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)-(d) are waived.